## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Cancelled)
- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, A method of transferring one or more data files to a computer system comprising:

determining whether a clear-to-send flag associated with the computer system is asserted;

transferring a data file to the computer system if the clear-to-send flag is asserted;

receiving a receipt acknowledgment from the computer system indicating that the

computer system received the data file; and

reasserting the clear-to-send flag in response to receiving the receipt acknowledgment, wherein the one or more data files are in a sequential order and the method further comprises:

reading a status file associated with the computer system, wherein the status file includes a file indicator indicating which of the one or more data files should be transferred to the computer system;

determining a data file to transfer to the computer system based on a file indicator; and updating the file indicator to indicate the next file in the sequence of the one or more data files.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising: A method of transferring one or more data files to a computer system comprising:

determining whether a clear-to-send flag associated with the computer system is asserted;

transferring a data file to the computer system if the clear-to-send flag is asserted;

receiving a receipt acknowledgment from the computer system indicating that the

computer system received the data file; and

reasserting the clear-to-send flag in response to receiving the receipt acknowledgment, receiving an invoking command indicating that another data file is available to be transferred; and

invoking the determining, and transferring steps.

7. (Original) A method of transferring a sequence of data files from a primary system to a plurality of secondary systems, wherein each of the secondary systems responds after receiving a data file, the method comprising:

selecting a first secondary system;

determining whether a clear-to-send (CTS) flag associated with the first secondary system is asserted;

identifying a first data file that is to be transferred to the first secondary system; determining whether the first data file is available for transfer; and if the first data file is available and if the CTS flag is asserted, transferring the first data file to the first secondary system.

- 8. (Original) The method of Claim 7 further comprising:
  repeating the selecting, determining, identifying, determining, and transferring steps for each of the plurality of secondary systems.
- 9. (Original) The method of Claim 8 wherein identifying comprises:
  retrieving secondary system data associated with the first secondary system, wherein the
  secondary system data includes a data file indicator indicating which of the sequence of data files
  is to be transferred to the first secondary system.

- 10. (Original) The method of Claim 7 further comprising: depositing a data file into the sequence of data files.
- 11. (Original) A computer readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing the method steps of Claim 7.
- 12. (Original) A primary system for transferring a plurality of sequentially ordered data files to a plurality of secondary systems comprising:

a sequence broker operable to read a clear-to-send flag associated with one of the secondary systems, identify one of the data files to be transferred to the secondary system, and issue a transfer command to transfer the identified data file;

a transmit broker in operable communication with the sequence broker receiving the transfer command and responsively transferring the identified data file to the secondary system; and

a clear-to-send broker operable to receive an acknowledgment from the secondary system and responsively assert the clear-to-send flag associated with the secondary system.

- 13. (Original) The system of Claim 12 further comprising:

  a database for receiving and storing the plurality of sequentially ordered data files;

  an invoking module in operable communication with the sequence broker and the database, the invoking module storing the plurality of sequentially ordered data files in the database and issuing a new file command to the sequence broker, the new file command notifying the sequence broker that the database has data files stored in it.
- 14. (Original) The primary system of Claim 12 wherein the clear-to-send module is in operable communication with the sequence broker and the clear-to-send module is operable to send an invoking command to the sequence broker after asserting the clear-to-send flag.
- 15. (Original) The system of Claim 12 wherein the primary system is in operable communication with the secondary systems via a communications network.

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16. (Original) The system of Claim 15 wherein the communications network is the Internet.